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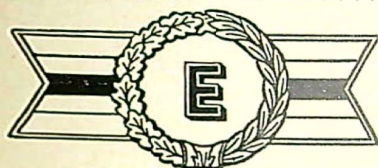
IF IT WON'T HELP
WIN THE WAR —
FORGET IT!

ANVIL CHORUS

"The Difficult Thing May
Be Done Right Away. The
Impossible Takes a Little
Longer."

ANNIVERSARY PINS

Office - Los Angeles—	
HENRY MILLAR	13 years
WILHEMINA JONES	4 years
IRMA NISPEL	2 years
DOROTHY VAN GUNDY	2 years
Factory - Los Angeles—	
JAMES BRANN	8 years
LEROY STURTZ	8 years
LEGORY O'LOUGHLIN	2 years
RALPH BARNHARDT	2 years
WILLIAM VAN HOOSE	2 years
Chicago—	
JERRY ARSIER	2 years
MARY ROTCHFORD	2 years
MILTON SOUSANIS	2 years



CREDIT UNION

Dorothy's pleasant smile will be missed this week while she is on vacation. That doesn't mean that you shouldn't enjoy doing business with that other gal with the patient disposition — Edith Mullins. Let's try and lighten her work this week while she's doing a job single handed. Smiles cost nothing. Let's be pleasant when we go to the window for service, and above all, let's be patient.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

THANKS TO GORDON WILKINSON for his initiative and cheerful willingness to help when some special occasion requires extra assistance in connection with the Activities Association or Club House. A truly cooperative spirit is so rare that it is real news. — Dick Walter.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

SHE HAS A FACE LIKE THE ONE THAT LAUNCHED A THOUSAND SHIPS . . . HENRY KAISER.

SOLDIER VOTING — HOW TO SECURE BALLOTS

Under the new California law, any member of the United States Armed Forces or Merchant Marine, or any citizen serving in the American Red Cross, the Society of Friends, the Women's Auxiliary Service Pilots, or the United Service Organizations and attached to and serving with the Armed Forces, or any civilian employed by the United States and serving outside the territorial limits of the United States, if of legal voting age, is classified as a "war voter".

To obtain an absentee ballot such person may secure a post-card form, from his Commanding Officer. If the voter is from Los Angeles County, the completed form must be forwarded to M. J. Donoghue, Registrar of Voters, 808 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, 12, California. A signed request on letter or post-card from the applicant, giving present address and legal residence in Los Angeles County, will also be honored. Voters from other counties would, of course, communicate with their own County Clerk or Registrar of Voters.

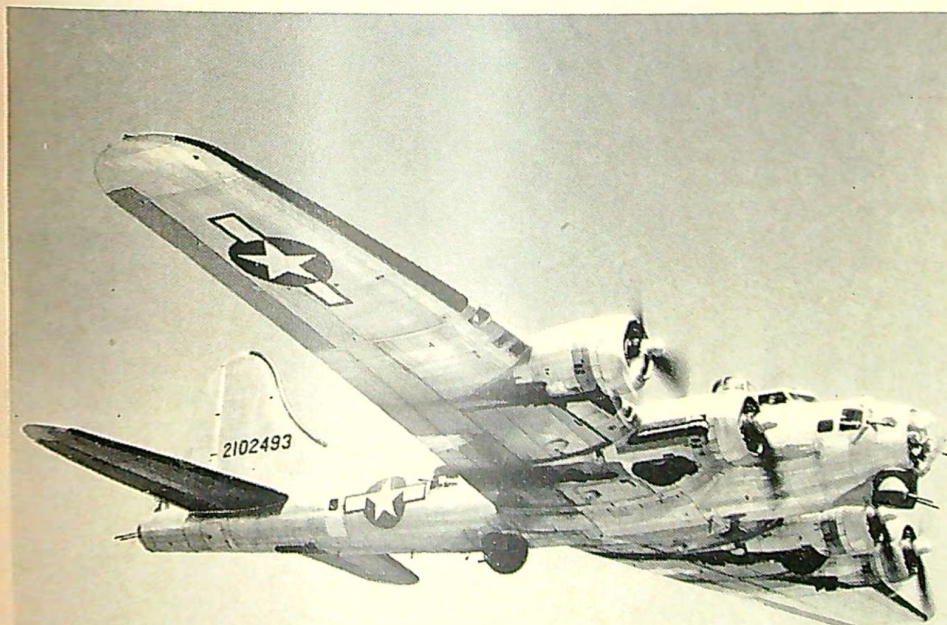
The State Constitutional requirements apply to war voters just as they do to civilians. Every voter must be at least 21 years of age on the day of election, have lived in the State of California one year, his respective county 90 days and the precinct 40 days before entering the military service. If the person is not a registered voter, he may become one by signing the affidavit of registration which will be mailed at the same time as the absentee ballot, thus qualifying him to cast his vote.

Any change of address which should occur after the application for an absentee ballot has been forwarded to the Registrar's Office should be reported immediately.

Absentee ballots will be mailed between September 8 and November 2, 1944 and must be voted on not later than the day of election (November 7, 1944).

— BUY WAR BONDS —

BUY WHAT YOU NEED; NOT WHAT YOU WANT. WHAT YOU DON'T NEED IS EXPENSIVE AT ANY PRICE.



FAMOUS FLYING FORTRESS which will undoubtedly go down into history as one of the great airplanes of all time. It is known for bringing its crews back to safety rent with bullet holes and major portions of it shot away. It has been one of the main airplanes on all allied fighting fronts.

News of YOUR Department



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The Anvil Chorus

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COMING EVENTS

The Technique of Selling Ideas,
Conference Room R. C. Ross
Mondays 3:15 to 4:14 and
5:30 to 7:30

Ping Pong Contest Club House
Begins Monday, July 31.

Shuffleboard Contest, Club House
Begins Monday, July 31.

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

Electrician Edward Robinson bruised his left side when a tool he was using slipped off a pipe. Ed says his hickey slipped and caused him to fall. This dumb writer was surprised to learn that electricians use equipment with such a name. However, we are glad that Eddie was not severely injured and was able to resume his work.

The new maintenance building is nearing completion and Robbie has already moved his Machine Repair Crew to their new home. Going to look nice when carpenters, plumbers, welders, electricians and all the maintenance crew can be housed in one building.

Maintenance men on vacation this week: Eugene Gibson, Frank Montoya and Harry Rogers.

METALLURGICAL DEPT. COURSE IN APPLIED METALLURGY

This department has received numerous inquiries as to whether the course in Applied Metallurgy, sponsored by the University of California War Training and conducted by Mr. F. J. Robbins, Metallurgical Engineer, Plomb Tool Company, would be on the fall curriculum which begins August 16, 1944.

This course will consist of one 2-hour lecture each week for a period of 16 weeks. These lectures will be informal discussions of the fundamental principles of metallurgy and heat treatment as applied to the engineering, designing, and manufacturing of tools.

Although no university credit is given for the course, the University of California maintains complete records and notifies the employers of the names of the persons within their respective organizations who attend the lectures and who complete the course. The University of California will accept this course, however, as a prerequisite to university courses in metallurgy, metallography, and other allied subjects.

In order to determine whether the attendance will be sufficient to warrant a repetition of the course, it is requested that all persons interested contact either Mr. H. L. Millar or Mr. J. O'Brien of the Metallurgical Department as soon as possible.

We are glad to hear that LOREN LORD will be permitted to leave the hospital Saturday. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Norma Hogan

The girls in the north office gave IRMA three novels at lunch Friday to read on her vacation.

PATTY GELDERMANN can now be called "Aunt". VIRGINIA (WILSON) HUSTON, her sister has a new son born July 20th. His name is Charles Micheal Huston and weighs 7 pounds 8 ounces.

Anyone walking by the mail room at rest period may think that the girls have suddenly become long winded, but no; they are taking elocution lessons by reading "A Bell for Andano".

DISTRIBUTION SERVICE

Ernest Wynkoop, Mgr.

"Squares", "Sharpies", Symphonics — Plomb has 'em all!

The "squares" — they're first. They are like the bear, they're everywhere; like the chairs in a hall, they don't go nowhere! They don't know from nothing about music and it takes a lot to make them get "on the beam" — Straighten Up & Fly Right! Not too many at Plomb . . .

Then, the real devotees of the classics: People like LOUISE DODDS (who has studied and cultivated a lovely voice of her own), LUCILLE ELLSWORTH, E. WYNKOOP, E. J. MINARD, HENRY MANKER, and D. DANCHIK would enjoy a fine opera, concert, or the like, often. That's good! — A Performance of this type never hurt anyone! . . .

And then there's that group that never fails to patronize such places as the Aragon swing-shift dance or Harry Ferriman's barn dance! Why? By gum — Spade Cooley or Bob Wills is sho' nuff beating himself to death! KANA, GEE, LUCILLE BEHRENDT and EARL MAXEY just LOVE this stuff!

BUT . . . the thing is to become hep to the jive . . . and, Jack, Plomb has plenty of "hepsters"!

FREDDIE CANDEJAS, MAXINE BLAZICK, JO FINNIE, JOE PONCE, KAY LUCIEN, and RALPH SLOTTERBECK "dig" all of the latest "platters" (records) and "come on" with terrific "jive" (talk). These cats "jump" at all local spots!

Speaking of dances, . . . noticed that Sonny Dunham's taken over the stand at the Palladium; J. Dorsey, the Orpheum; and that "Young Man With the Horn", Harry James, will play Saturday night at the Ocean Park Casino! Get your boots laced "cats" and dig this frantic session.

Session? . . . Session? Oh Yes! This town's going to see the greatest "jam session" of all time Sunday afternoon at the Philharmonic Auditorium, no less! On the bill are top notch favorites such as the King Cole Trio,

(last chance to see them at the Trocadero is Sunday night, too), Benny Carter, Lee & Les Young, Illinois Jacquet (terrific sax man), Charlie Barnet, Les Paul Trio, Meade Lux Lewis, and numerous others! Slated to "send" you . . . way out of this world!

"GABBY" YOUNG extends thanks to all who remembered her with flowers, cards, etc. during recent illness. Glad to see her bossin' that stockroom again!

ARLENE MARKARIAN receives word that fiancé, Harold Peterman, is in Saipan. Good luck is about he best we can hope for!

JO FINNIE, just became an Auntie (finally). Sis, Maggie, gave birth to an 8 lb. 14 oz. baby girl. Mom's doing swell!

Hear the one about the Starving ARMENIAN who took TURKEY, fried it in GREECE, and served it on CHINA?

That's it . . . Lucille Bozajian.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

MEDICAL DEP'T.

We will be glad to have Dr. Hall return to vaccinate for small pox again, if enough employees wish to register. He will return at later hours to catch "swing shift" if those working late wish to be vaccinated.

Dorothy Van Gundy, R. N.
Nurse in Charge.

CHICAGO NEWS

Miriam Bensley

This article was put together by some of our boys. It reads:

It happened! What? The fellows from the Tool Room and a few from the Machine Shop went horse-back riding. Where? On the beautiful shores of the Desplains river at twilight. The woods, the boys, the horses and the barber shop quartet were grand. So were the refreshments.

We will be going soon again. Any-one interested in a very pleasant evening, inquire of Sheriff Ernie Saubert and make a reservation a day before the trip, which will be soon — as soon as the boys can sit again.

Advice: Boys, remember, if you start out with a cigar in your mouth, please put out the fire before you swallow it. Henry says it burns as it goes down.

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Jean Pryka and Catherine Graffott both celebrate their birthdays on July 28. We all wish them a very happy birthday.

Agnes Tarpins' son John is leaving for the Navy. He was a former employee of our company.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

SEQUEL TO LADY IN THE DARK:
M. P. WITH A FLASHLIGHT.

THE JOB AHEAD



WALTER
SAINT
Personnel
Director

Plomb has always been in the forefront of local and national efforts to improve employer-employee relations and as these relations improve in individual plants throughout the nation, so will the post war situation become more promising and productive. No matter what your home front battle station may be, you can do your part NOW to help maintain harmonious relationships, so that when the difficult transition period comes we can go right ahead, with a common interest and a common objective to keep America a free, strong land where opportunity will be present for everyone.

Our ability to rise above petty differences, individually and collectively, and produce more and better goods after the war, will determine to a great extent whether or not we can maintain the high level of employment enjoyed at present in the United States.

The extent to which we shall realize better conditions, depends upon what each of us does NOW. Plan your work. Devise ways of doing it better. Take the broad view of the work you are doing. It's part of the greater effort we are making nationally.

You are working with a two-fold purpose — working for a pay check that will provide your family with their daily needs — and working to build a future which will continue to supply the things we all need.

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SCHICKLEGRUBER'S NOODLE

The newspaper headlines, last week, revealed the delightfully encouraging news that at last someone had attempted to massacre that amazing character, Hitler.

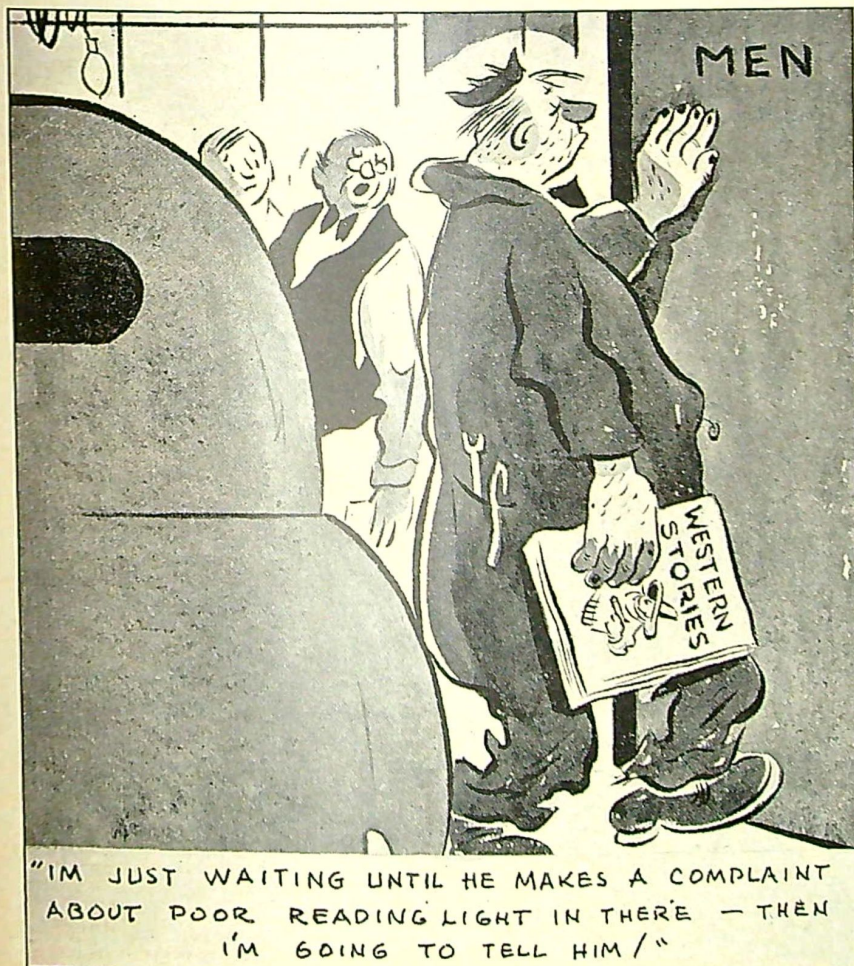
The headlines in large print were captioned by a sentence in much smaller print, which read, "Hitler receives head injuries".

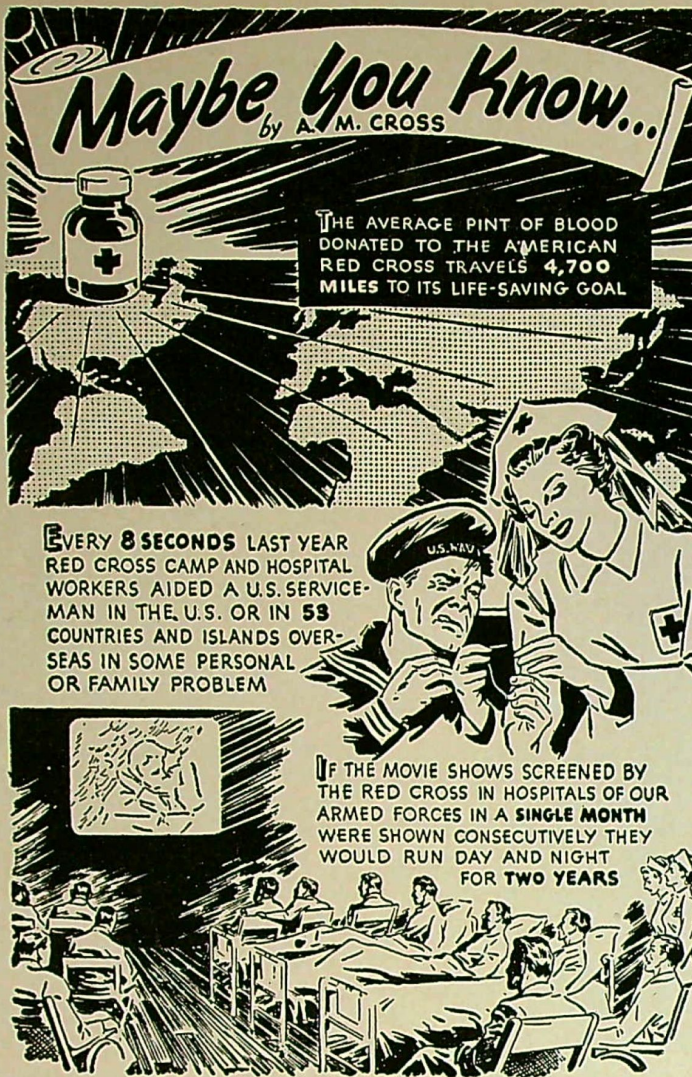
It has always been my candid belief that Herr Hitler, when still an infant, then known as Adolph Schicklegruber, either fell, or was purposely dropped on his head from a balcony at least twenty feet high, and has been sick in the head ever since. Therefore the recent blow couldn't have had any new effects.

A little delayed, these newspaper headlines, aren't they? — Edith Sacks.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

JACK O'BRIEN, Plomb photographer and Metallurgical Assistant, is on vacation.





OKLAHOMA WAS NEVER LIKE THIS SAYS CHARLIE MELENDEZ

Dan Melendez's nephew (somewhere in the South Pacific) recently wrote to his Uncle Dan:

"It's hot out here — mosquitos galore but it's heaven compared to Oklahoma. The only thing I can say for Oklahoma is that I don't know where else in this whole world would you find any nicer people than these so-called Oakies and I don't stand alone when I say that. The people of Oklahoma are the friendliest and the nicest people I have ever come in contact with. I don't think they come any better. Whenever I hear some guy talk about the "Oakies" I just stop and think a while before I join in the discussion.

I want to thank you for sending me the Anvil Chorus. It's the only L. A. paper I get and I get a big kick out of it. So do my buddies. They use tools made by Plomb. I'd like to work there after the war and when I get my leave I want to visit the plant. I've always wondered how they made wrenches and sockets. But I love to fly and I might stay in after the war . . . but a guy like me can't count much on future plans".

LET US SO LIVE THAT WHEN WE DIE EVEN THE UNDERTAKER WILL BE SORRY. — Mark Twain.

— BUY WAR BONDS —

DAIN STURGES: "It must be time to get up".

MRS. STURGES: "Why"?

DAIN: "The baby has just dropped off to sleep".

— BUY WAR BONDS —

Saint: "Say, what does this mean? Someone just called and said you were sick and wouldn't be at work today".

Employee: "The joke's on him. He wasn't supposed to call up until tomorrow".

HOSPITAL AND SURGICAL REIMBURSEMENT PLAN

(No. 8 in the New Series on
Employee Dividends)

Your Company is sincerely interested in the health and general welfare of its employees.

When unavoidable sickness or accidents occur, recovery and return to work are always hastened if financial worries can be eliminated. Toward this end the Plomb Tool Company has maintained a Hospital and Surgical Reimbursement Plan for employees. This plan has proven its worth by the payment of over \$20,000 in hospital bills and surgeons' fees for our employees.

The Insurance Company has at all times been prompt and fair in the payment of benefits, and because of favorable claim experience it has voluntarily increased the benefits without additional cost.

The policy entitles a member to \$5.00 a day for hospital room and board during confinement, which is limited to 70 days for any one disability. He also receives a maximum of \$25.00 for hospital laboratory and operating room expense, such as X-Ray, anaesthetic, etc. An ambulance fee of \$5.00 is also allowed. Surgical benefits are provided in specified amounts to a maximum of \$200.00.

This program is carried by California Western States Life Insurance Company and has been in operation since June, 1938.

The total cost to the employee of our Hospital and Surgical Reimbursement Plan is \$1.00 per month. This includes membership and dues in the Plomb Employees' Activities Association.

New employees will be insured without medical examination, provided they enroll within the first two months of employment. You are strongly urged to avail yourself of this protection and join the Plomb Employees' Activities Association. Full details are printed in a special booklet available at the Personnel Office.

THE PLOMB EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

Kurt Apel, Pres.

Louis Chavez, Treas.

Eleanor Thompson, Sec'y.

You are invited to visit the Club House any time between 8 A. M. and 8 P. M. and enjoy the following services and recreation

TENNIS

ARCHERY

BADMINTON

PING-PONG

POOL

SHUFFLEBOARD

We Serve Doughnuts - Sandwiches - Coca-Cola
Bireley's Fruit Juices

Bring your favorite music and play it on our piano — sing if you want to — relax on our overstuffed easy chairs and read.